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REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION AFTER FINAL

In response to the Final Office Action of May 29, 2003, with a period for response extending through August 29, 2003, Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner's reconsideration in view of the following remarks:

REMARKS

Claims 3, 12, 13, and 19-25 are currently under consideration, with claims 1, 2, 4-11, and 14-18 being withdrawn from consideration as directed to an unelected invention. In the Final Office Action, the Examiner rejected claims 21-24 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by Sakui et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,239,495); rejected claims 3, 12, 13 and 19 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as unpatentable over Sakui